《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

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- 1. Hello, listening friends. 亲爱的朋友,你好,
- 2. We welcome you to this very last broadcast from 1 Peter. 欢迎你收听我们的节目,这是彼得前书系列信息的最后一讲。
- 3. We have been studying this magnificent epistle for the last several messages. 我们已经花了好多次的节目时间来讲这一卷伟大的书信,
- And today we're going to look at the very last section of the epistle.
 今天我们要看这卷书的最后一段经文。
- 5. And if you have your Bibles, you can turn to 1 Peter chapter 5, verses 8 to 14. 如果你手上有圣经,请翻开彼得前书五章 8-14 节。
- 6. And as you get your Bibles ready, 在你翻开圣经的时候,
- 7. I want to tell you some things that I have learned from life. 让我告诉你我从人生里学到的功课。
- 8. I have met people who refuse to be warned of the warning signs. 我遇到过一些人,他们就是不肯听从警告。
- 9. They would have warnings that their business is in trouble, but they refuse to take notice. 有人提醒他们的生意将会有麻烦了,但他们就是不理会;
- 10. They get warnings that their marriage is in trouble, but they refuse to take notice. 有人警告他们婚姻将要出问题了,但他们不理会。
- 11. Now I want to talk to you about this refusing to take notes of warnings, 今天我就是要跟你谈谈不听警告这件事,
- 12. because Satan forever is luring believers into a false sense of security.
 因为魔鬼撒但不断地引诱基督徒上当,骗他们自以为很安全;

- 13. Satan is forever trying to convince believers that all is well with their half-hearted commitment to Christ. 魔鬼撒但不断地欺骗基督徒,叫他们不需要全心全意信靠基督,这是没问题的,
- 14. In the meantime, there are troubles around the corner. 但事实上危机四伏。
- 15. Peter concludes his first epistle with a dire warning to Christians in Asia Minor. 彼得对小亚西亚的基督徒提出了紧急的警告,来结束他这封书信。
- 16. Look at 1 Peter chapter 5 verse 8. 请看彼得前书五章 8 节:
- 18. Being sober is different from being vigilant. 谨守和儆醒是有区别的,
- 19. You can be sober, but not vigilant. 你可以儆醒,却不一定谨守;
- 20. But you cannot be vigilant without being sober. 但你若不儆醒,就不能谨守;
- 21. And that is why Peter puts being sober first. 所以彼得说,要儆醒,才能谨守。
- 22. Driving under the influence of alcohol is the number one cause of traffic death throughout the Western world.
 在西方社会里致命的车祸,首要的肇事原因,就是醉酒驾驶。
- 23. Why? 为什么?
- 24. Because a drunk driver has impaired vision. 因为司机喝醉了,影响视力衰减;
- 25. A drunk driver has impaired reactive mechanisms. 司机喝醉了,减低他的反应机能;

- 26. A drunk driver has impaired control over his limbs. 司机喝醉了,就不能正常控制四肢的动作。
- 27. But here's the tragedy. 但可悲的是,
- 28. Everybody else around that drunk can see the effect of alcohol except the drunk himself. 旁观者清,当局者迷,旁边的人都知道酒精的影响,只有喝醉的人不知道。
- 29. Why? 为什么?
- 30. Because drunkenness creates the ultimate self-deception.
 因为醉酒会产生自我欺骗的幻觉。
- 31. The Christian who allows Satan to deceive him, 一个基督徒如果容许撒但来欺骗他,
- 32. sooner or later will begin to deceive themselves. 迟早他们也会落在自欺的景况里。
- 33. And that is why Peter is pleading for the Christians to be serious minded about the devil. 所以彼得在这里呼吁基督徒,要很严肃地面对魔鬼。
- 34. Do you know what Satan's modern-day deception is? 你知道撒但的最新伎俩吗?
- 35. It is keeping us so busy that we become numb with tiredness. 就是让我们非常忙碌,以致于我们因过度疲劳而麻木。
- 36. It is keeping us so strung up for time that we have no time to be sober and vigilant. 我们把时间绷得太紧,而没有时间儆醒谨守。
- 37. It is keeping us over committed that we are running haggard. 我们负责过度,却把自己弄得很憔悴。
- 38. And once he has you running completely exhausted,
 —旦你筋疲力尽,
- 39. once he has you over committed, 一旦你工作过劳,
- 40. then he will attack you. 魔鬼就会攻击你,
- 41. And before you know it, you are spiritually blown off the map. 在你毫无防备之下,你已经体无完肤了。

- 42. Peter is telling believers to be serious minded about the devil's intentions. 彼得告诉基督徒,要很认真的提防魔鬼的企图,
- 43. His intentions are always known, and that is to entrap you. 他的阴谋就是要陷害你,这是众所皆知的。
- 44. I have researched the reasons for Peter's use of the image of a lion to describe the devil. 为什么彼得要以狮子的形象代表魔鬼呢?我做了一些研究。
- 45. Some early Christian tradition said that Peter wrote this particular epistle from the city of Rome. 根据早期教会的传统说法,彼得是在罗马城写这封书信的。
- 46. There, he may have seen how some Christians were devoured by hungry lions in the Roman stadiums. 彼得很可能亲眼看见在罗马的斗兽场里,许多基督徒被饥饿的狮子吞吃;
- 47. Or he probably thought back to the words of Jesus when he said to him, "Peter, Peter, Satan has sought permission to sift you as wheat, but I'm praying for you." 或者彼得想起耶稣曾对他说的话: "彼得!彼得!撒但想要得着你们,好筛你们像筛麦子一样,但我已经为你祈求。"
- 48. Peter probably thought about how Satan was trying to devour him on that last day before Good Friday, 彼得很可能想起在主耶稣受难的前一天,撒但几乎把他吞吃了,
- 49. when he denied the Lord Jesus three times. 也就是他三次不认主的时候。
- 50. I also learned something else about lions and their roaring. 我也发现了一些有关狮子吼叫的资料,
- 51. Lions apparently roar on three different occasions.
 显然在三种情形之下,狮子会吼叫。
- 52. A lion roars when a competitor strays into his territory and tries to hunt on his turf. 当其他的狮子闯入一只狮子猎食的地盘时, 这只狮子就会吼叫。
- 53. At that point, a lion's roar is to tell the intruder to "butt out. That's my territory." 这时,吼叫的狮子就是对入侵者的警告说,快走开,这是我的地盘。

- 54. The second occasion in which the lion is known to roar is when he is caught in a storm. 狮子吼叫的第二种情况,就是在暴风雨之下,
- 55. Lions apparently detest thunder and lightning. 很显然狮子不喜欢打雷闪电。
- 56. The third occasion in which the lion is known to roar vigorously is after catching his prey. 狮子大声吼叫的第三种情况,就是当牠捕到猎物时,
- 57. This is most likely the roar that Peter has in mind here. 这很可能就是彼得心目中的图画。
- 58. When a lion catches his prey and wrestles it to the ground, he roars a roar of triumph.

 一只动物在狮子的利爪下挣扎,而狮子就不断地发出胜利的吼叫,
- 59. This is the lion's way of saying, "I have got you under my control."

 狮子似乎是说,你逃不出我的爪子。
- 60. This is the lion's way of intimidating the prey into nonresistance. 狮子的吼叫,就是要吓唬猎物,不要再抵抗了。
- 61. Lions are very cunning creatures. 狮子是很聪明的动物,
- 62. They do not roar before they catch their prey. 还没有捕到猎物前,牠们是不吼叫的。
- 63. Why? 为什么?
- 64. It would scare the prey into running away. 因为会把猎物吓跑了。
- 65. So, he creeps quietly so that no one is the wiser. 牠静悄悄地爬行,神不知鬼不觉;
- 66. He tippy toes so that he may not be detected. 牠小心翼翼地前进,不让猎物觉察:
- 67. He quietly prowls until the prey is totally unsuspecting. 地无声无息地潜伏,使猎物毫不提防;
- 68. And once the prey lies down and goes to sleep, 当猎物躺下睡觉时,

- 70. At that point, he roars as if to say, "I have got you and you cannot get away from me." 这时牠吼叫,似乎在说,我逮到你了,别想逃跑。
- 71. The devil does the same thing. 魔鬼也是这样。
- 72. Satan gets you involved in all kind of extraneous activities, 撒但让你为许多琐碎的事忙碌,
- 73. thinking that you are doing good work. 你还以为自己在做好事呢!
- 74. He gets you busy with life's problem. 地让你忙着解决人生的难题;
- 75. He gets you busy with life's pleasures. 地让你忙着享受人生的乐趣;
- 77. He gets you busy with lust and greed and more and more.
 地让你忙着追求各种享受,和永不满足的欲望。
- 78. When you don't have time for prayer, 使你没有时间祷告,
- 79. and when you don't have time for the Word of God, 没有时间读神的话语,
- 80. and when you don't have time for fellowship and be accountable to others, 没有时间跟其他的基督徒在一起,彼此分享,互相督促,
- 81. then you do this day after day after day. 你就是日复一日地忙个不停。
- 82. What is Satan doing? 而撒但在做什么呢?
- 83. He is waiting. 牠等待,
- 84. He's prowling. 牠潜伏,
- 85. He's tippy toeing. 地静悄悄的逐步靠近,
- 86. And once you become spiritually lethargic, 一旦你的灵性松懈、懒散下来了,

- 88. And that is why Peter left his most important warning to the end.

 所以彼得把这最重要的警告放在最后,
- 89. "Be sober and be vigilant. 要儆醒,要谨守,
- 90. Don't be flippant about your enemy. 对敌人不要掉以轻心,
- 91. Don't be ignorant about his intentions toward you.
 对牠的阴谋不可无知,
- 92. Don't think for a moment that he is not setting a trap for you."
 不可丝毫放松警觉,以为牠不会来陷害你了。
- 93. In the Old Testament, David was a man after God's own heart. 在旧约圣经里,大卫是一个合神心意的人,
- 94. And yet, in a period of a few years, Satan got David to relax, 然而在短短几年里,撒但让大卫松懈下来。
- 95. and enjoy all of his success and his resources, 他为自己的成就和富足,感到志得意满,
- 96. and David could not hear the lions creeping into his life. 大卫却没有听见,那只狮子已经静悄悄地爬到他身边。
- 97. David ceased to be spiritually vigilant and sober, 大卫的心灵不再儆醒谨守,
- 98. and he began to enjoy the acceptance by society.
 他享受着众人对他的拥戴。
- 99. For a poor boy growing up in a poor home, 对于一个在贫困家庭中长大的穷孩子,
- 100. setting up and enjoying his throne is natural, but not supernatural. 享受自己所建立的王朝是人之常情,但不能过分。
- 101. David was not struggling with God in prayer any more. 大卫不再奋力向神祷告,
- 102. David stopped walking across the street and spending time in the temple of God. 大卫不再走到附近的圣殿去亲近神,
- 103. And in time, David fell into the snare of the enemy, 没多久,大卫就落入敌人的网罗里了,

- 104. and began his downward spiral which put a huge blotch on his pure heart. 使他泥足深陷,并在他纯洁的心中留下了污点。
- 105. Satan has a clear aim. 撒但有清晰的目标,
- 106. Satan has a well-defined goal. 撒但有明确的目的,
- 107. Tempt believers to sin and make them afraid of standing before God. 就是诱惑基督徒犯罪,使他们不敢站在神面前。
- 108. Satan's clear aim is to destroy the impact of the Gospel in the world. 摧毁福音对这世界的影响,就是撒但清晰的目标;
- 109. Satan's precise goal is keep unbelievers from becoming believers.

 阻止非信徒成为基督徒,就是撒但明确的目的;
- 110. Satan's aim is to deceive people into believing that they can be good without God. 撒但的目标就是要欺骗人,使他们以为,没有神他们也能行善;
- 111. Satan's clear aim is to distort the Gospel. 撒但清晰的目标,就是要曲解福音。
- 112. Why? 为什么?
- 113. So that it does not stand in clear contrast to false belief systems.
 这样,就不会跟虚假的信仰产生清楚的对比。
- 114. Satan's greatest activities take place when believers are alert and sober and having victory over sin.每当基督徒提高警觉,保持儆醒,胜过罪恶时,撒但也不会罢休的。
- 115. My listening friends, please listen to me very carefully. 亲爱的朋友,请特别留心我所说的,
- 116. I want you to look at 1 Peter chapter 5 verse 10. 请看彼得前书五章 10 节,
- 117. Listen to what Peter said, 请听彼得怎么说。

- 118. "Our God is a God of all grace and he will come to our aid the moment we call upon him." 那赐诸般恩典的神······等你们暂受苦难之后,必要亲自成全你们,坚固你们,赐力量给你们。
- 119. You must never try to be a spiritual commando and attempt to take the devil on by yourself. 你千万不要把自己当作属灵的突击队员,单枪匹马地对付魔鬼,
- 120. That would be one of the greatest mistakes that you can make. 你将铸下大错。
- 121. The God of all grace is ready and willing to defend you.

 赐诸般恩典的神将要护卫你:
- 122. The God of all grace is ready and willing to protect you.

 赐诸般恩典的神将要保守你;
- 123. The God of all grace is ready and willing to fight on your behalf.

 赐诸般恩典的神将要为你作战;
- 124. All you need to do is ask. 你只要向祂祈求,
- 125. That's what being sober and vigilant is all about.
 这就是谨守儆醒的意思,
- 126. Staying close to God. 紧紧靠着神,
- 127. The God of all grace is ready and willing to strengthen you.

 赐诸般恩典的神,将要赐力量给你。
- 128. In verse 13 of chapter 5, Peter said, 第五章 13 节,彼得说,
- 129. "She who is in Babylon," 在巴比伦的。
- 130. Who is he talking about? 他说些什么?
- 131. The "she" is the church in Rome, 这里指的是罗马的教会,
- 132. the bride of Christ in the city of Rome. 也就是在罗马城里基督的新妇。
- 133. Babylon refers to Rome because it was a city that had become like Babylon of old. 以巴比伦代表罗马,因为那时的罗马,已逐渐演变为像古代的巴比伦一样了。

- 134. Even pagan Romans nicknamed Rome Babylon. 甚至那些罗马的异教徒,都称罗马为巴比伦。
- 135. Why? 为什么?
- 136. Because of the level of decadence and self indulgence that it revealed. 因为在那里表现出严重的腐败,和情欲的放纵。
- 137. The same thing could be said of many faithful churches in many cities of the world today. 今天在这个世界上许多信仰纯正的教会,也在同样的处境里。
- 138. The spirit of Babylon, 巴比伦的特色,
- 139. which is the spirit of decadence and selfindulgence, 就是腐败和放纵情欲,
- 140. has invaded many cities in the world. 已经侵袭世上许多的城市了,
- 141. And many believers live in a modern day Babylon. 许多基督徒就住在现代的巴比伦城里。
- 142. There was once a famous animal trainer. 从前有一个著名的驯兽师,
- 143. He trained wild beasts to respond to his commands.
 他训练野兽听从他的命令。
- 144. One particular act that always brought the crowd to its feet involved a thirty five-foot boa constrictor.
 其中一个最受欢迎的节目,是他跟一条 35 呎长的蟒蛇一起表演的。
- 145. The trainer had raised this huge snake for twenty-five years.
 驯兽师养这条大蛇已经有 25 年之久,
- 146. He got it when it was only a few days old. 从这条蛇只有几天大的时候就开始养起。
- 147. He cared for it. 照顾牠,
- 148. He fed it. 喂牠吃,
- 149. And he worked with it daily. 每天训练牠。
- 150. In this particular act, 在这项节目里,

- 151. the trainer would lie down on the ground with his pet boa.
 驯兽师跟蟒蛇一起躺在地上,
- 152. The snake then would begin to wrap its long, strong tail around his body. 然后蟒蛇用牠粗壮的尾巴盘蜷在驯兽师身上。
- 153. The massive reptile was easily strong enough to crush the man into pieces.
 其实蟒蛇可以轻易地把驯兽师压死,
- 154. But it would always release him just as he trained it. 但地总是照着平时的训练,及时放开驯兽师。
- 155. But one day, things did not work out the way they were supposed to. 有一天突然发生意外,
- 156. The boa wrapped around his master like he always did, 蟒蛇照例盘蜷在主人身上,
- 157. when suddenly, the reptile's true nature seemed to return. 忽然蟒蛇兽性大发,
- 158. In front of the watching eyes of hundreds upon hundreds of startled people, 就在几百个惊讶的观众眼前,
- 159. the boa kept squeezing and squeezing and squeezing.
 大蟒蛇越缠越紧。
- 160. Only this time, it did not uncoil and loose its grip. 这一次牠没有放松,
- 161. It just kept on squeezing. 继续紧缠不放,
- 162. The trainer screamed for help, 驯兽师大声呼救,
- 163. but it was too late. 但已经太迟了。
- 164. Before the horrified crowd, 在惊恐的观众眼前,
- 165. the boa squeezed the lifebreath out of his trainer and crushed him to death. 大蟒蛇用力的挤压,使驯兽师窒息而死。
- 166. The man's pet had become his cruel master. 他的宠物,成了他残酷的主人。
- 167. My listening friend, let me ask you this. 亲爱的朋友,请问你,

- 168. What is gradually wrapping itself around you? 有什么东西正在逐渐地缠绕你?
- 169. What is slowly crushing the spiritual life out of you?
 有什么东西正在慢慢地挤压你,使你窒息?
- 170. What temptations are you flirting with? 你正在什么诱惑中周旋着?
- 171. What pets are you lying down with and cuddling?
 你和什么宠物躺下,蜷在一起?
- 172. Could it be that your career is slowly squeezing out of you the desire for God and his Word? 你是否让自己的事业渐渐挤压你,使你不再渴慕神的话语?
- 173. Is your work keeping you from spending time with him and serving Him? 你的工作是否拦阻你亲近神,事奉神?
- 174. Could it be the lure of material things that is crushing your spiritual life? 物质的诱惑是否扼杀了你的属灵生命?
- 175. What is it for you? 是哪一样呢?
- 177. It is my prayer that you are sober and vigilant. 我祈求神让你能谨守儆醒,
- 178. And until next time, I wish you God's riches blessing. 愿神大大地赐福给你,下次节目再会。